

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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In re	:
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SEARS HOLDINGS CORPORATION, et al.,	:
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Debtors.¹	:
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Chapter 11
Case No. 18-23538 (RDD)
(Joint Administered)

**ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DEBTORS TO (I) MAINTAIN CERTAIN TRUST FUND
PROGRAMS, (II) RELEASE CERTAIN FUNDS HELD IN TRUST, AND
(III) CONTINUE TO PERFORM AND HONOR RELATED OBLIGATIONS**

Upon the motion (the “**Motion**”)² of Sears Holdings Corporation and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the “**Debtors**”), pursuant to sections 105(a), 363, and 541 of title 11 of the United States Code (the “**Bankruptcy Code**”), for entry of an order authorizing, but not directing, (i) authorizing the Debtors to continue to perform and honor obligations under programs or other arrangements requiring the Debtors to release certain funds held in trust for the benefit and on

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, are as follows: Sears Holdings Corporation (0798); Kmart Holding Corporation (3116); Kmart Operations LLC (6546); Sears Operations LLC (4331); Sears, Roebuck and Co. (0680); ServiceLive Inc. (6774); A&E Factory Service, LLC (6695); A&E Home Delivery, LLC (0205); A&E Lawn & Garden, LLC (5028); A&E Signature Service, LLC (0204); FBA Holdings Inc. (6537); Innovel Solutions, Inc. (7180); Kmart Corporation (9500); MaxServ, Inc. (7626); Private Brands, Ltd. (4022); Sears Development Co. (6028); Sears Holdings Management Corporation (2148); Sears Home & Business Franchises, Inc. (6742); Sears Home Improvement Products, Inc. (8591); Sears Insurance Services, L.L.C. (7182); Sears Procurement Services, Inc. (2859); Sears Protection Company (1250); Sears Protection Company (PR) Inc. (4861); Sears Roebuck Acceptance Corp. (0535); Sears, Roebuck de Puerto Rico, Inc. (3626); SYW Relay LLC (1870); Wally Labs LLC (None); Big Beaver of Florida Development, LLC (None); California Builder Appliances, Inc. (6327); Florida Builder Appliances, Inc. (9133); KBL Holding Inc. (1295); KLC, Inc. (0839); Kmart of Michigan, Inc. (1696); Kmart of Washington LLC (8898); Kmart Stores of Illinois LLC (8897); Kmart Stores of Texas LLC (8915); MyGofer LLC (5531); Sears Brands Business Unit Corporation (4658); Sears Holdings Publishing Company, LLC. (5554); Sears Protection Company (Florida), L.L.C. (4239); SHC Desert Springs, LLC (None); SOE, Inc. (9616); StarWest, LLC (5379); STI Merchandising, Inc. (0188); Troy Coolidge No. 13, LLC (None); BlueLight.com, Inc. (7034); Sears Brands, L.L.C. (4664); Sears Buying Services, Inc. (6533); Kmart.com LLC (9022); and Sears Brands Management Corporation (5365). The location of the Debtors’ corporate headquarters is 3333 Beverly Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60179.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the respective meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

behalf of non-Debtor third parties, and (ii) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and the Court having jurisdiction to decide the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(a)-(b) and 1334(b) and the Amended Standing Order of Reference M-431, dated January 31, 2012 (Preska, C.J.); and consideration of the Motion and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before the Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the interim relief requested in the Motion having been given as provided in the Motion; and such notice having been adequate and appropriate under the circumstances and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided with respect to the relief granted herein; and the Court having held a hearing to consider the relief requested in the Motion on October 15, 2018 (the “**Hearing**”); and upon the Riecker Declaration, filed contemporaneously with the Motion, the record of the Hearing, and upon all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Motion is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtors and their estates as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 6003, provides a net benefit to the Debtors and their estates after taking into account the Bankruptcy Code’s priority scheme, and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all parties in interest; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Motion is granted to the extent set forth herein.
2. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, pursuant to sections 105(a), 363, and 541 of the Bankruptcy Code, to continue to perform and honor obligations, in the

ordinary course of business, arising under the Trust Fund Programs requiring the Debtors to release the Trust Funds to applicable Trust Fund Counterparties, including, without limitation, American Greetings Corporation.

3. Entry of this Order is without prejudice to the right of the Debtors to contest the amount of the Trust Funds due and owing the various Trust Fund Counterparties, whether or not paid pursuant to this Order, or to seek a refund of the same.

4. Notwithstanding anything in the Motion or this Order to the contrary, any payment made or action taken by any of the Debtors pursuant to the authority granted herein, as well as the exercise of any and all other rights and authorizations granted or approved hereunder, shall be subject in all respects to, as applicable: (i) the orders approving the Debtors' use of cash collateral and/or post-petition debtor-in-possession financing facilities (collectively, the “**DIP Orders**”); (ii) the other documentation governing the Debtors' use of cash collateral and postpetition financing facilities; and (iii) the Approved Budget (as defined in the DIP Orders).

5. To the extent there is any inconsistency between the terms of any of the DIP Orders and this Order, the terms of the DIP Order (or DIP Orders, as applicable) shall control.

6. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Order or any payment made pursuant to the authority granted by this Order is intended to be or shall be construed as (i) an admission as to the validity of any claim against the Debtors, (ii) a waiver of the Debtors' or any appropriate party in interest's rights to dispute the amount of, basis for, or validity of any claim against the Debtors, (iii) a waiver of any claims or causes of action that may exist against any creditor or interest holder, or (iv) an approval, assumption, adoption, or rejection of any

agreement, contract, lease, program, or policy between the Debtors and any third party under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

7. Notwithstanding entry of this Order, nothing herein shall create, nor is intended to create, any rights in favor of or enhance the status of any claim held by the Trust Fund Counterparties or any third party.

8. The requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) have been satisfied.

9. Under the circumstances of these chapter 11 cases, notice of the Motion is adequate under Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a).

10. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry, for cause.

11. The Debtors are authorized to take all action necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order.

12. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation and/or enforcement of this Order.

Dated: October 18, 2018
White Plains, New York

/s/ Robert D. Drain
THE HONORABLE ROBERT D. DRAIN
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE